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It is hereby requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in the above identified application from the Non-Final Office Action, dated September 29, 2005, which extends the period for reply to January 29, 2006.

Submitted herewith are the following items:

- ☒ a response to the Office Action dated August 29, 2005.
- ☐ formal drawings.
 - ☐ (The Issue Fee due _____ has been timely filed.)
- ☐ a Notice of Appeal.
 - ☐ (A timely response to the Final Rejection due _____ has been filed.)
- ☐ an Appeal Brief.
- ☐ a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ The fee for a _____-month extension of time has previously been paid on _____.

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